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SUBJ: MTN SUBGROUP ON MEATS

REFS: A) STATE 138168; B) MTN GENEVA 4355

1. THE MTN SUBGROUP ON MEAT MET JUNE 16-19 AND AGREED, AFTER LENGTHY AND ARDUOUS DISCUSSIONS, ON A PROGRAM FOR ITS FUTURE WORK.

2. THE WORK PROGRAM IS SIMILAR, BUT NOT IDENTICAL, WITH THE WORK PROGRAM ADOPTED BY THE SUBGROUP ON GRAINS (REF B).

3. THE SALIENT FEATURES OF THE WORK PROGRAM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A) IN THE FIRST STAGE OF ITS WORK, THE SUBGROUP WILL ANALYZE THE STRUCTURE AND PROBLEMS OF WORLD MEAT TRADE, INCLUDING TRADE BARRIERS AND TRADE DISTORTING MEASURES. THIS ANALYSIS IS EXPECTD TO BE COMPLETED AT ITS NEXT MEETING.

B) IN A SECOND STAGE THE GROUP WILL DEAL WITH PROPOSALS RELATED TO THE EXPANSION AND EVER GREATER LIBERALIZATION OF TRADE; WITH PROPOSALS RELATED TO CON- CERTED ACTION AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION; AND WITH PROPOSALS CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF LDC'S.

4) THE EC DEL, APPARENTLY WITHOUT FIRM INSTRUCTIONS, WAS REPEATEDLY ISOLATED THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. THE EC DEL INITIALLY AIMED AT LIMITING THE WORK PROGRAM TO A SEMINAR- LIKE DISCUSSION OF MARKET STRUCTURES RATHER THAN AN EXAMINA- TION OF TRADE ISSUES AND TRADE MEASURES. IN PARTICULAR, THE EC DEL ENDEAVORED STRENOUSLY TO EXCLUDE THE CONCEPT OF TRADE LIBERALIZATION FROM THE WORK PROGRAM. HOWEVER, UNDER PRESSURE FROM THE U.S. AND MAJOR EXPORTING COUN- TRIES AND DUE TO THE APPARENT CONCERN OF CERTAIN MEMBER STATES OVER POSSIBLE STALEMATE, EC DEL FINALLY AGREED TO WORK PROGRAM.

5)) FULL REPORT WILL FOLLOW.
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